

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in Director's  
Conference Room, Administration Building  
Central Intelligence Agency, on 3 March 1953

Director of Central Intelligence  
Allen W. Dulles  
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant, Intelligence,  
Department of State  
Major General Richard C. Partridge, Assistant Chief of Staff,  
G-2, Department of the Army  
Captain Allan L. Reed, acting for the Director of Naval  
Intelligence, Department of the Navy  
Major General John A. Samford, Director of Intelligence,  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Dr. Walter F. Colby, Director of Intelligence, Atomic Energy  
Commission  
Brigadier General Edward H. Porter, Deputy Director for  
Intelligence, The Joint Staff  
Mr. Victor P. Keay, acting for Assistant to the Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Loftus E. Becker, Central Intelligence Agency  
Mr. Robert Amory, Jr., Central Intelligence Agency  
25X1 [redacted] Central Intelligence Agency  
Dr. H. M. Chadwell, Central Intelligence Agency  
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Mr. Howard M. Wiedemann, Department of State  
Colonel Gerald F. Lillard, Department of the Army  
Lieutenant Colonel T. C. Anderson, Department of the Army  
Lieutenant Colonel D. T. Vanderhoef, Department of the Army  
Commander William A. Clark, USN, Department of the Navy  
Lieutenant Commander A. B. Grimes, USN, Department of the Navy  
Colonel T. D. Brown, United States Air Force  
Colonel Charles F. Gillis, United States Air Force  
Colonel John J. Morrow, United States Air Force  
Lieutenant Colonel Thomas J. Grant, United States Air Force  
Mr. Jonathan N. Gilmore, United States Air Force  
Colonel Samuel M. Lansing, The Joint Staff  
Colonel Edwin M. Cahill, The Joint Staff  
Captain John A. Holbrook, USN, The Joint Staff

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Approval of Minutes

1. Action: The minutes of the meeting of 19 February 1953 (IAC-M-96) were approved.

Soviet Capabilities for an Attack on the United States before Mid-1955 (SE-36).

2. Action: Approved as amended.

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Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral Richard F. Stout, acting for the Director of Naval  
Intelligence, Department of the Navy  
Major General John A. Samford, Director of Intelligence, Headquarters,  
United States Air Force  
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The Joint Staff  
Mr. Meffert Kuhrtz, acting for Assistant to the Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Dr. Otto E. Guthe, Central Intelligence Agency  
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Mr. Edward R. Fried, Department of State  
Mr. Harold W. Jacobson, Department of State

\* For part of meeting.

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Colonel Gerald F. Billard, Department of the Army  
Lieutenant Colonel R. C. Anderson, Department of the Army  
Lieutenant Colonel R. C. Cassibry, Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral H. C. Daniel, Department of the Navy  
Captain Allan L. Reed, USN, Department of the Navy  
Commander J. A. Meyarholan, Department of the Navy  
Colonel Charles F. Gillis, United States Air Force  
Colonel John J. Morrow, United States Air Force  
Colonel C. M. Young, United States Air Force  
Lieutenant Colonel Thomas J. Grant, United States Air Force  
Colonel Samuel M. Lansing, The Joint Staff  
Captain John A. Holbrook, USN, The Joint Staff  
Commander Kelso Daly, The Joint Staff

Acting Secretary

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Probable Effects on the Soviet  
Bloc of Certain Courses of Action  
Directed at the Internal and External  
Commerce of Communist China (SE-37)

1. Action: Approved as revised. Several members commented on the high degree of cooperation and effort achieved in producing this complex estimate on short notice.

Proposed Estimates for  
Latin America

2. Action: Agreed to begin working-level consideration of the four estimates proposed in the Board's memorandum to the IAC of 27 February 1953 (NIE-84, Guatemala; NIE-85, Chile; NIE-86, Brazil; NIE \_\_\_\_, Argentina). It was understood that the proposed target dates were tentative, and that final IAC approval well might not be obtainable by the times suggested.

Stalin's Collapse

3. Mr. Dulles invited comment on the ability of the existing machinery of the Federal intelligence system to respond to crises such as that occasioned by the information of Stalin's illness. There was general agreement that, in this instance, the existing procedures were adequate, it being noted that Agency watch officers were promptly alerted and the President timely advised.

Executive Session

4. At General Porter's request, the Committee met in executive session at the conclusion of the regular meeting. It was agreed that the item of information he tabled would be considered as part of the forthcoming SE-39.

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